

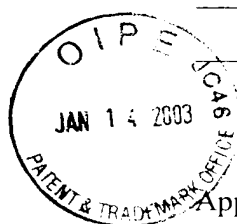
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**REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.221(b) TO CORRECT
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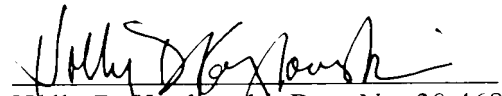
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.221(b), Applicant respectfully requests the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to correct the patent application publication No. US2002/0138917 A1 (copy enclosed) for U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/072,583 published on October 3, 2002. This request is made based on the material mistake in the patent application publication, namely, the insertion of various patent assignment-related documents, which are not a part of the application, at pages 16-29, before the claims of the application. The various documents include transmittal forms, assignments and appendices. Thus, the Applicant respectfully requests a corrected patent application publication in which these documents, pages 16-29 of the published application, have been removed from the patent application publication.

Applicant also respectfully requests waiver of the requirement that the request be filed within two months of the patent application publication date. This request is made as the

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